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For: RETROVIRAL NUCLEIC MATERIAL AND NUCLEOTIDE FRAGMENTS, IN PARTICULAR, ASSOCIATED WITH MULTIPLE SCLEROSIS AND/OR RHEUMATOID ARTHRITIS, FOR DIAGNOSTIC, PROPHYLACTIC AND THERAPEUTIC USES

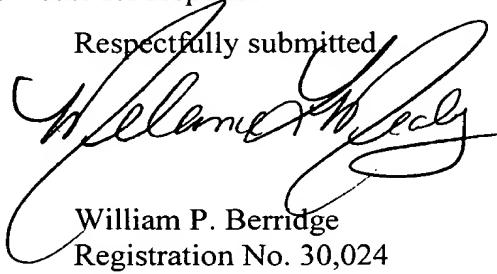
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Sir:

In response to the Notice to Comply mailed September 25, 2001, it is respectfully submitted that paper and computer readable copies of the Sequence Listing were filed on July 16, 2001. The Notice to Comply acknowledges this but indicates that the computer readable form could not be processed for the reasons set forth "in the attached CRF Diskette Problem Report." However, no CRF Diskette Problem Report was attached. Thus, Applicants request a new Notice to Comply providing an indication of why the previous diskette could not be processed and setting a new date for response.

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